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TAGS: PINT, PINS, PFOR, CB

SUBJ: MESSAGE TO SIHANOUK FROM CHENG HENG

1. HIGH POLITICAL COUNCIL MEMBER AND FORMER CHIEF OF STATE CHENG HENG TOLD US SEPT 18 THAT HE HAS SENT A MESSAGE TO SIHANOUK VIA SIHANOUK'S BROTHER-IN-LAW AND FORMER POLICE CHIEF OUM MANORINE COUNSELING THE PRINCE THAT EARLY NEGOTIATIONS ARE IN HIS BEST INTERESTS. CHENG HENG POINTED OUT THAT SIHANOUK HIMSELF HAS ADMITTED THAT THE COMMUNISTS WILL DISCARD HIM WHEN THEY OBTAIN TOTAL POWER AND THAT NEGOTIATIONS ARE CONSEQUENTLY HIS ONLY MEANS OF GAINING A ROLE IN CAMBODIA'S FUTURE.

2. OUM MANORINE, WHO IS ALSO RELATED TO CHENG HENG AND WHO WAS RELEASED FROM PRISION ON JUNE 18, PLANS TO TRAVEL TO PARIS IN THE NEAR FUTURE, CHENG HENG TOLD US.  
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